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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q66491

Tetsuya KOJIMA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/988,669

Group Art Unit: 2861

Confirmation No.: 9037

Examiner: Kristal J. Feggins

Filed: November 20, 2001

For: IMAGE RECORDING METHOD AND APPARATUS

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

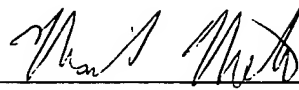
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A check for the statutory fee of \$36.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Excess Claim Fee Payment Letter  
U.S. Appln. No. 988,669

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In response to the Office Action dated February 11, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

**The specification is changed as follows:**

**Please amend the paragraph bridging pages 2 and 3 as follows:**

Incidentally, when a gradation image is recorded like this, each pixel is always recorded from a constant point (point "a" in Fig. 3B). Since the point "b" side in a single pixel width in the transferring direction becomes no-recorded portion, the recorded image becomes concentrated on the point "a" side as above. Therefore, when a formed two-dimensional image is viewed over its entirety, there occurs a drawback that the image becomes conspicuously coarse.

**Please amend page 11, 2<sup>nd</sup> full paragraph as follows:**

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